



AGENDA REPORT
for consideration by the
CATHEDRAL CITY CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Authorization to submit grant application for fiscal year 2014 for Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance Grant Program.

DEPARTMENT: Police Department

MEETING DATE: June 11, 2014

CONTACT PERSON: Chief Conner

DEADLINE FOR ACTION: 06/11/14

APPROVED:


Department


City Manager


Finance

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the City Council authorize the Police Department to submit a grant application for fiscal year 2014 to the Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance Grant Program to purchase eight radars and two Colt M4 carbine rifles for the Police Department. The purchase will be made using Federal Grant Funds for equipment specific to this purchase.

BACKGROUND:

The Police Department has been eligible and has applied for the Edward Byrne Memorial Assistance Grant Program for the last several years. The eligible funds that have been identified for Cathedral City are \$18,552.

One of the number one concerns our residents report to our personnel and in Neighborhood Watch settings is the need for more traffic enforcement of vehicles speeding on residential streets and on major thoroughfares throughout our community. The police department has one fixed radar unit installed in one of our police vehicles and three portable radar units for checkout for our officers to conduct speeding enforcement. The benefit of the fixed radar unit is it can be utilized when the police unit is mobile and can monitor traffic in either direction. The handheld radar units are used when the police unit is parked stationary and the officer is conducting radar enforcement with passing motorists. By purchasing additional radar units, officers can help impact speeding motorists by taking enforcement and educating drivers to the ramifications of excessive speed on our roadways. With the force reduction experienced in the last two years our Traffic Bureau Officers were reassigned to patrol functions. By outfitting our patrol officers with this state of the art equipment our personnel will be able to better address the speeding violations occurring and make Cathedral City roadways safer for the motoring public.

The two Colt M4 Carbine rifles are a very versatile firearm which can be used in tactical situations. The rifles will be assigned to our Detective Bureau personnel who will utilize the

rifles in search warrant and arrest warrant activity, as well as, other tactical situations that may arise such as an active shooter situation occurring in our community.

ANALYSIS:

The City of Cathedral City and the Police Department is still in the recovery mode from the force reduction of personnel that was experienced in Fiscal Year 2012/2013. These grant funds will allow the Department to utilize equipment funding by purchasing four fixed radars that are mounted in the police vehicle, four handheld radars and two rifles for the Police Department.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Four Raptor RP-1 Dual KA-Band Antenna Radars including tax	\$8,131.40
Four Talon II Stationary Radars including tax	\$4,564.92
Batteries, shipping, handling and installations	\$2,731.48

Two Colt M4 Carbine Rifles including tax	\$3,984.30
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Total	\$19,412.10
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\$860.10 will be utilized from the Police Department operating budget to complete the purchase.
\$19,412.10 total cost – 18,552.00 grant funds = \$860.10 from equipment fund.

Fund Name/Source	Full Account Number	Amount	Budget Oper/Capital	Budget Existing/New
Police Grant Revenue Fund	247-XXXX-8231	\$18,552	Grant Fund	New
General Fund	100-313-8222	\$860.10	Operating	FY 14/15

OTHER ALTERNATIVES:

1. Do not submit grant proposal.

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Budget and Budget Narrative (Attachment 3)

Radars and Rifles

The cost of the eight radars from Kustom Signals, INC. is \$15,427.80 and the cost of the rifles from ProForce Law Enforcement is \$3,984.30. The grand total is \$19,412.10. The Cathedral City Police Department is requesting \$18,552 from JAG Program to purchase the radars and rifles. The remaining \$860.10 will be paid from other funds the Police Department maintains.

<u>Items</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Eight Radars and two rifles	\$18,552

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Review Narrative (Attachment 4)

This Fiscal Year 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial (JAG) Program Grant will be posted in four locations for the community to review. The agenda report that is attached was posted at City Hall, the Cathedral City Library, The Cathedral City Senior Center, as well as, the City Website on May 12, 2014. The Cathedral City City Council will receive the Agenda Report and will review the grant on June 12, 2014, at the next meeting of the governing body.

The Fiscal Year 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial (JAG) Program Grant will be presented for any public comments during the general City Council Meeting on, June 12, 2014, at 6:30 pm.

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Project Abstract (Attachment 1)

Applicant Name: Cathedral City Police Department

Project Title: Radar and Rifle Purchase

Strategies:

- 1) To enforce speed limit violations and accident causing traffic violations.
- 2) The Traffic Bureau was eliminated with a force reduction two years ago with the traffic officers returning to a patrol function. The purchase of this state of the art equipment will help equip our patrol officers with traffic enforcement with speeding motorists in our community.
- 3) To deploy the M4 carbine rifles in an active shooter environment, as well as, being deployed with search warrant and arrest warrant activities by Detectives and Special Enforcement Detail personnel.

Goals:

- 1) To reduce speeding violations of motorists driving on Cathedral City roadways.
- 2) To reduce accident causing traffic violations with a primary collision factor of excessive speed.
- 3) To educate the driving public by obeying the posted speed limit reduces collisions and saves lives.
- 4) To equip trained personnel with the M4 carbine rifle in tactical situations that warrant this type of firearm.
- 5) Utilizing grant funds, thereby redirecting other general fund money to other public safety needs.

Project Identifiers:

- 1) Education
- 2) Equipment – Tactical
- 3) Firearms
- 4) Officer Safety
- 5) Radar Monitoring

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Program Narrative (Attachment 2)

The Cathedral City Police Department requests to utilize the FY 2014 Local JAG Program funding for the purchase of eight radars (four RP-1 KA Band radars and four Talon II stationary) and two Colt M4 carbine rifles.

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The two Colt M4 Carbine rifles are a very versatile firearm, which can be used in tactical situations such as active shooter incidents..

The JAG Grant funds will be utilized to purchase eight radar units and two rifles for Police Officers of the Cathedral City Police Department.